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How to Use OverDrive (DPL's eBooks service)

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For the month of February, there will be two technology newsletters detailing a couple different services the Library provides. This issue will cover in detail how the eBooks offered through OverDrive work. I would like to caution readers that not every book is offered through OverDrive as some publishers have not given rights to have their books offered at libraries through OverDrive.

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Danville Public Library (If this is not your library, please go back and select again)	of your library card). Once you have e	
Library card number		
PIN		
Sign In		

Step 3: From the drop down menu, choose "Danville Public Library".

Step 4: Log in with your library card number (all 12 digits, beginning with "3801" with no spaces) and your PIN number (the last four digits of your library card). Once you have entered these, click sign in.

My Account

Select from the following links to manage your Account:

My Cart

- Displays the title(s) that are in your Cart awaiting checkout

Lending Periods

- Set a personalized default lending period for titles available at this

site, format-by-format

My Bookshelf

- Displays download links for title(s) currently checked out

My Holds

- Displays the title(s) for which you are currently waiting

Wish List

- Displays the title(s) on your Wish List

Rated Titles

My Account

- Displays the title(s) you have rated, and allows you to change ratings

"My Account" link at the bottom of every page.

NOTE: Depending on what materials you wish to check out, you may have to download a couple different programs.



Please view the last 3 pages of this newsletter for detailed instructions on downloading the required software programs. © Danville Public Library, 2012

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Step 5: From here, you can view books you have checked out, books you have added to your cart to check out, and also view holds and your wish list. Of all the sections on the OverDrive site, this is the most important page as you can access everything from it. This page can

always be accessed by the

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Step 6: Now that you are signed in, you can begin searching for books to check out. For browsing, choose from the menus at the far left of the screen (also the two images to the left of this step). Under "Browse Collections", you can specify the type or genre, such as mysteries or science fiction under eBook Fiction, while "Featured Collections" can show you which materials have been checked out the most or have been most recently added.



You can also do a quick search by title, author, or subject and can also select which material type you want and if the search should include all copies or only copies not checked out.

Step 7: When you have found a book you would like to check out (an example search result is at the bottom of this page), you can rate the book, add it to your Wish List, add it to your cart, or place a hold on it (the option to reserve the book with a hold is available only if the book is checked out). In the search result, you can see the title, author, and description, as well as the available copies and the total number of copies the online eBook provider has. Under the number of copies that the collective group of libraries own in total, there are the various types of eBooks you can download, such as Kindle, EPUB, and PDF. Kindle is available for Kindles and Kindle apps, and EPUB is available for Nooks and other eReaders, and the PDF should work for all eReaders. Additionally, if you see an orange circle with a check and the letter "a" (as seen below), the Danville Public Library has purchased the book for our collection and it is not shared with other libraries in the consortium. Click "Add to Cart" for the format your device supports.



The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy Series, Book 1

by Douglas Adams

"IRRESISTIBLE!"--The Boston GlobeSeconds before the Earth is demolished to make way for a galactic freeway, Arthur Dent is plucked off the planet by his friend Ford Prefect, a researcher for the...

Available copies: 1 Library copies: 1

Add to Wish List

Average rating:

My rating:

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Kindle Book

Use on: Kindles and free Kindle apps

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Step 8: Once you have added an eBook or other material to your cart, you can either continue to browse for more materials like in Step 6 and Step 7 (and also by clicking "Continue Browsing" shown below), or you can proceed to the checkout. If you would like to change your default lending period for the material (options are between 7 days, 14 days, or 21 days), go back to Step 5 and choose "Lending Periods" or else change it at the checkout.

My Cart

Please note: Titles added to your Cart will remain there for 30 minutes before they are returned to the library's collection. Please be sure to complete your checkout within this timeframe to avoid losing access to these title(s).

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy Series, Book 1

Lending period: 14 days

Kindle Book

Use on: Kindles and free Kindle apps

Remove

Continue Browsing

Proceed to Checkout

Step 9: Once clicking "Proceed to Checkout," you can click "Confirm Check Out" and receive your eBook. All cards with the library can checkout up to 5 materials at any time.

Check Out

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy Series, Book 1

Lending period: 14 day checkout 💌

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Use on: Kindles and free Kindle apps

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My Account Notes:

Maximum checkouts allowed at one time on my library card: 5

Current number of titles checked out: 0

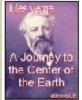
Checkouts remaining after this checkout: 4

Confirm Check Out

Step 10: Under the Downloads section once the checkout is confirmed (also under "My Bookshelf" accessed from Step 5), you can begin downloading the books you checked out. For Kindle books, you will need to click "Get for Kindle" and then log in with your Amazon account and choose which device you want it to go to (such as your computer, iPad, or Kindle). For other versions, click "Download."

My Bookshelf

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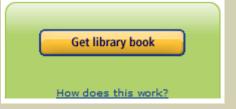
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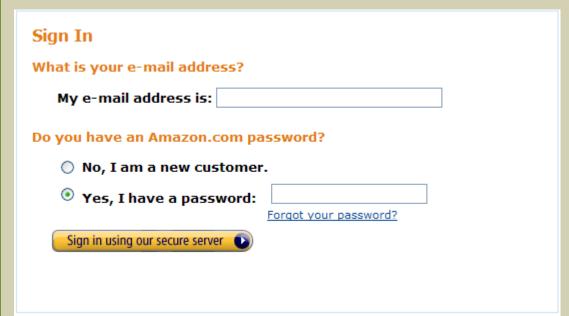
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Kindle Step 1: On the Amazon website after clicking "Get for Kindle," (for information on downloading other types, please check the last page and download the appropriate software or app, and then skip to the next page).



Kindle Step 2: Log in with your Amazon.com account. If you do not have one, select the "No, I am a new customer," option and create an account. Once you typed your log in information, click the sign in button.

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Kindle Step 3: Once you have signed in, select which device to send it to, or else register a new device or transfer it to your computer. Once you have chosen the device, click "Continue."

Kindle Step 4: If your Kindle or device is connected to a Wi-Fi network, it will automatically download. If you have to connect your Kindle via USB, connect your Kindle to your computer and choose "Download Now."

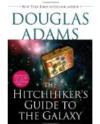
Kindle Step 5: Now that you have downloaded an eBook to your Kindle, you can now read it until the lending period is up. If you would like to return an item early, choose "Manage Your Kindle."

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy public library

Adams, Douglas

February 2, 2012

Actions... ▼



This book is a Kindle public library loan Loan status: Expires February 16, 2012

This book is available for \$7.99

Once there, you will see a button that says "Actions... \downarrow " which you should hover your mouse over, and then choose "Return this Book." Once you download it to one device/Kindle, to move it to another device or another Kindle, choose "Deliver to my..." and choose which one to deliver to from the drop down menu.

- Deliver to my...
- > Purchase this book
- Download & transfer via USB
- > Return this book

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Getting Started

OverDrive® Media Console For Audiobooks, Music, & Video Adobe® Digital Editions

For eBooks

<u>App also available for mobile</u>
devices

Computer Step 1: On the SOVALUE website, on the left side you will see a box that says "Getting Started." For the ability to access all materials, you will need both Adobe Digital Editions and OverDrive Media Console. We will first go through Adobe Digital Editions. For this section, we are only going to explore how to install for Windows.



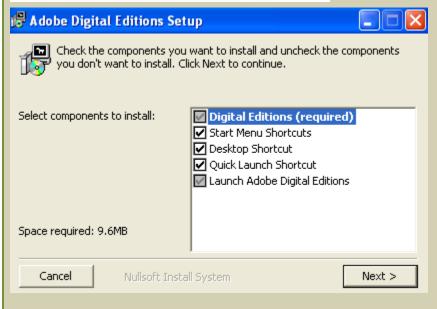
To download Adobe® Digital Editions, click here. **Computer Step 2:** After you click on Adobe Digital Editions in the above step, you will be taken to a page with the download link on top. Click the link.

Adobe® Digital Editions Installer

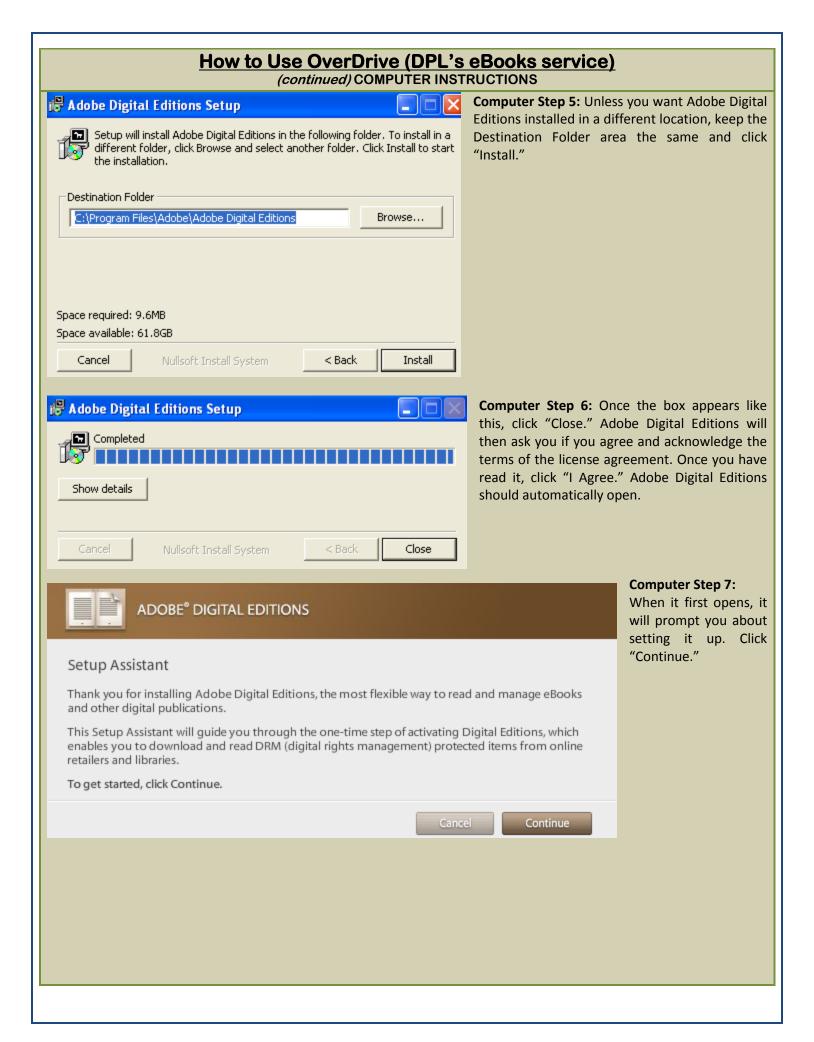
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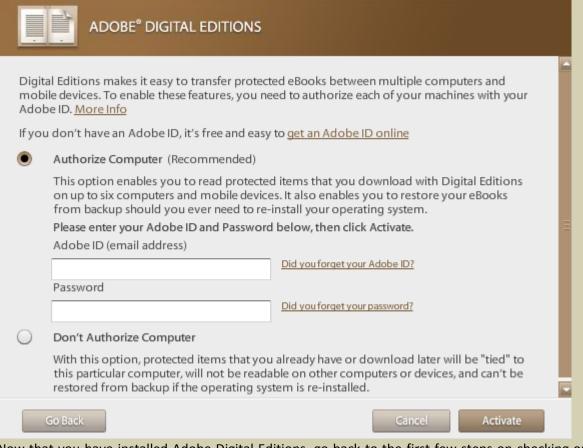
Computer Step 3: Scroll down on the page you are taken to until you see the box shown at the left. Click the big install button. It will then prompt you to confirm. Click "Install" again. You will be prompted again about installing Adobe Digital Editions. Click "Yes."



Computer Step 4: This box will appear in the center of your screen asking what you want to install. If you want a shortcut in your Start Menu, on your desktop, or in the quick launch bar, you can leave the check marks in the boxes, otherwise, click the check marks to remove them. Then click "Next >"



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Computer Step 8:

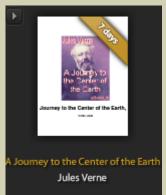
If you have an Adobe ID, you can sign in with it to enable multiple options available to you (as described at the right). If you do not have and do not want an Adobe ID, choose the "Don't Authorize Computer" option click and the "Activate" button. Once you have done this, another screen will show up. Click "Finished."

Now that you have installed Adobe Digital Editions, go back to the first few steps on checking out an eBook, and then choose to "Download" for the book you want to read (as seen in Step 10).



Computer Step 9: After clicking "Download," a box like the one to the left will appear. Click "OK." It will then open Adobe Digital Editions (if it wasn't already open) and download the book. It will also open the book to the first page.

The left most icon in the image will return you to bookshelf with all the ebooks in Adobe Digital Editions. The right most image when clicked will return you to your book.



In the bookshelf, the books will appear like this. To return a book early, click on the arrow (top left of image) and then choose "Returned Borrowed Item." Other options are also available under this menu.

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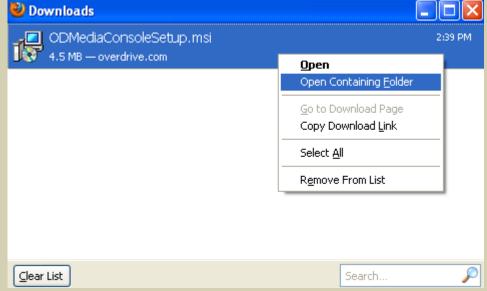
Windows* v3

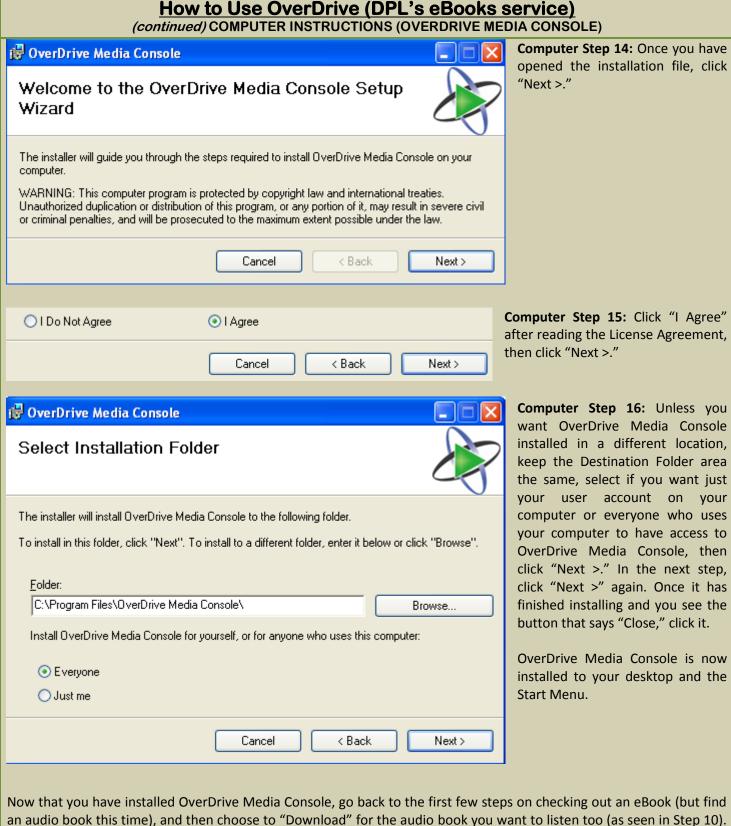
Computer Step 11: Choose the operating system for your computer or device. With the mobile versions, they can be found in your App store (for FREE!). Click "Download Now."



Computer Step 12: Click "Save File" when prompted with the above box.

Computer Step 13: Once the installation file has downloaded, open the containing folder and double click on the icon. A new box will ask if you want to run the file. Click "Run."





Now that you have installed OverDrive Media Console, go back to the first few steps on checking out an eBook (but find an audio book this time), and then choose to "Download" for the audio book you want to listen too (as seen in Step 10). You may have to choose the program to open the file (when you choose "Browse" for other programs, you should be in the Program Files folder. Choose the "OverDrive Media Console" folder, and then choose "Media Console."

